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# Preface

## User's Guide Description

This manual describes the Master Modbus Serial Interface for programmable controllers of the QUARK series, providing detailed information on their operation and use. This guide is organized into three chapters and one appendix, which allow finding the desired information quite easily.

Chapter 1, **Master Modbus Serial Interface**, presents the main characteristics of the QK1402/MB communications interface and of the F-1402MB.031 function.

Chapter 2, **Programming**, shows how to use the F-1402MB.031 module in the PC application program.

Chapter 3, **Installation**, describes how to install the QK1402/MB interface in the PC.

Appendix A, **Glossary**, lists the expressions and abbreviations used in this guide.

## Related Guides

For additional information on programming software and on the Modbus protocol, refer to the the following manuals:

- MasterTool Programming and User's Guide
- Technical Specifications Manual – Programmable Controllers
- Modicon Modbus Protocol Reference Guide - PI-MBUS-300



Information on the Modbus protocol can also be found on the Internet at the following web sites:

- <http://www.modicon.com/techpubs/toc7.html>
- <http://www.modbus.org>



# Terminology

The following expressions are frequently used in the text of this guide. Because of this, they need to be recognized and understood.

- **PC** (Programmable Controller) – equipment made up of one CPU, input and output modules and power supply.
- **CPU** (Central Processing Unit) - the main module of the PC, which processes the data.
- **MasterTool**: ALTUS program for a standard IBM-PC® microcomputer or compatible, used in a WINDOWS® environment, which allows the development of program modules for the PCs in the PICCOLO, AL-2000, AL-3000 and QUARK series. Throughout the guide, this program will be referred to by its acronym or as "MasterTool programmer", MT4000, or MT4100. MT4000 can be used in Windows 3.1x, 95 and 98. MT4100 can be used in Windows NT or 2000.

Other expressions can be found in appendix A, **Glossary**.



## Utilized Conventions

The utilized symbols throughout this guide have the following meanings:

- This mark indicates a list of items or topics.

SMALL CAPS indicate names of keys, for example ENTER.

KEY1+KEY2 is used for keys to be pressed simultaneously. For example, the simultaneous typing of the CTRL and END keys is indicated as CTRL+END.

KEY1, KEY2 is used for keys to be pressed sequentially. For example, a message “Type ALT, F10” means that the ALT key should be pressed and released and then the F10 key pressed and released.

LARGE CAPS indicate names of files and directories.

*Italics* indicate words and characters that are typed on the keyboard or seen on the screen. For example, if you are asked to type *PHOTON*, these characters should be typed exactly as they appear in the guide.

**BOLD** is used for names of commands or options, or to emphasize important parts of the text.

Warning messages present the following formats and meaning:

**⚠DANGER:**

The **DANGER** label indicates risk of life, serious personal injury or substantial material damage will result if the necessary precautions are not taken.

**⚠CAUTION:**

The **CAUTION** label indicates risk of life, serious personal injury or substantial material damage can result if the necessary precautions are not taken.

**⚠ATTENTION:**

The **ATTENTION** label indicates that personal injury or minimal material damage can result if the necessary precautions are not taken.



Contains important information about the product, its operation or a part of text to which special attention should be paid.



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If the equipment is already installed, it is advisable to have the following information available before contacting Technical Support:

- equipment models used and configuration of the system installed
- CPU serial number, equipment revision and operating system version, shown on a fixed tag on the lateral part of the equipment.
- information on the CPU mode of operation, obtained from the programming software, through the Communicates, Status, Information command.
- Contents of the program modules obtained from the programming software





## Manual Revisions

Reference code, revision and date of the current user's guide are indicated on the cover. A change in revision can mean alterations in the functional specification or user's guide improvements.

The following report lists the corresponding alterations to every revision of this guide:

REVISION	DATE	DESCRIPTION
A	11/2002	Initial revision.





# Master Modbus Serial Interface

The QK1402/MB allows the user to develop applications in ladder language and to read and write in slave equipment by means of the Modbus protocol, making the QUARK line controllers (QK2000, QK800 and QK801) communications network masters.

The product consists of the following modules:

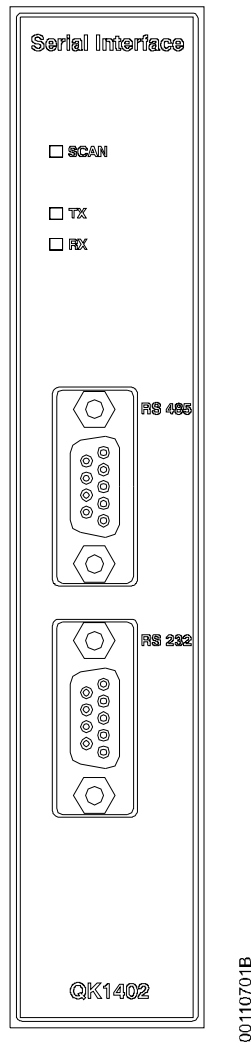
- QK1402/MB (hardware module)
- F-1402MB.031 (software module)

The QK1402/MB serial interface, when connected to the I/O bus of the PC, makes an RS-485 serial channel available, allowing the connection of the PC with a Modbus communications network, as shown in Figure 1-1.

Alternatively, the RS-232C serial channel available in the QK1402/MB can be used for point-to-point connections with a Modbus slave equipment.

Only one of these channels, either RS-485 or RS-232, may be used at a single time. Both cannot be used simultaneously.
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**Figure 1-1: QK1402/MB**

The F-1402MB.031 function module, called by the application developed in ladder language, allows the user to configure module QK1402/MB and then develop communications with slave equipment units connected to the network by means of the Modbus protocol. The QK1402/MB can only be used with QK2000, QK800 and QK801 CPUs. For AL-2002 and AL-2003 CPU models, Modbus RTU communication is supported with the use of AL-2005



coprocessor module(s) and AL-2734 Modbus Master/Slave Communications Drivers.

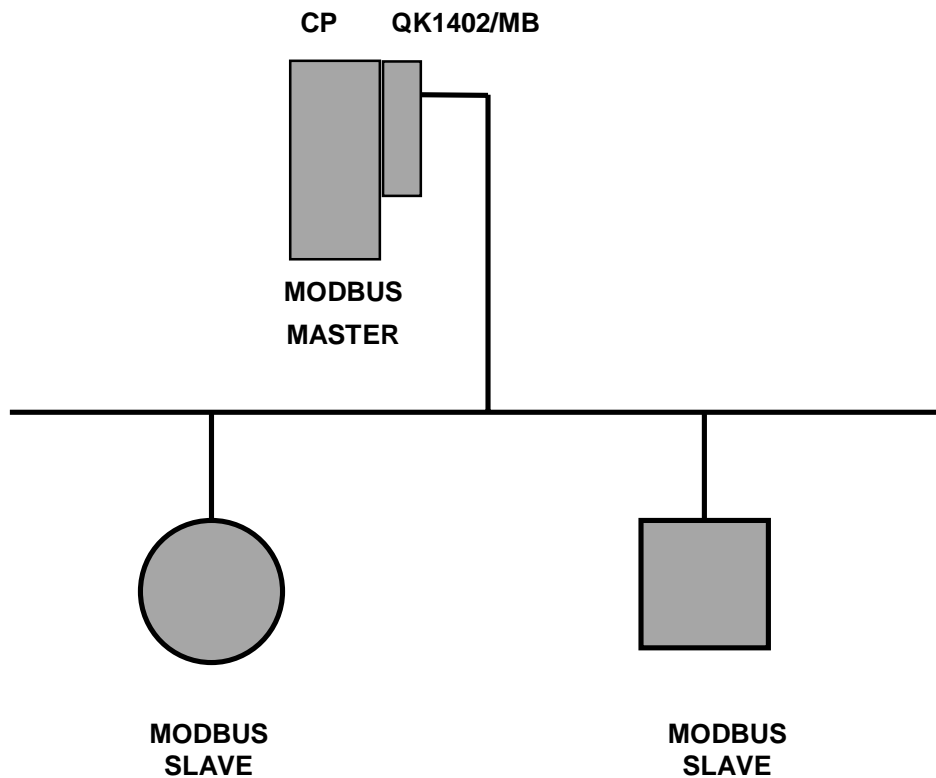


Figure 1-2: Modbus Communication Network

The F-1402MB.031 function module must run in QK2000, QK800 or QK801 programmable controllers, with software version 1.22 or higher.



## General Features

- Communications interface: EIA RS-485 and RS-232 with specific RTU Modbus (master mode) protocol functions
- Capacity for network communication
- Activity LED indicating the module is being accessed by the PC
- Transmission (TX) and reception (RX) LEDs for serial communication
- Watchdog circuit
- Operating temperature: 0 to 60°C, exceeding the IEC 1131 standard
- Storage temperature: -25 to 70°C, according to IEC 1131 standard
- Relative humidity: 5 to 95% (non-condensing), according to IEC 1131 standard - RH2 level
- Unpacked weight: 420 g - Packed weight: 480 g
- Protection class: IP 20, against incidental finger touch and without waterproof protection according to IEC 529 standard

## Electrical Features

- Bus power consumption: 70 mA @ 12 Vdc
- Severity level of electrostatic discharge (ESD): according to IEC 1131 standard, level 4
- Electrical noise immunity, oscillating wave type: according to IEC 1131 standard, severity level C, and IEEE C37.90.1 (SWC)
- Immunity to irradiated electromagnetic field: 10 V/m @ 140 MHz according to IEC 1131



## Software Features

- Uses the F-1402MB.031 function module, which implements the interface between the QK1402/MB and the PC.
- Activates Modbus functions to communicate with slave equipment units over the network.
- Mode of transmission: RTU, 8-bit binary code
- Type of checksum: CRC-16 (cyclic redundancy check)
- Implemented Modbus protocol functions:
  - 01 - Read Coil Status
  - 02 - Read Input Status
  - 03 - Read Holding Registers
  - 04 - Read Input Registers
  - 05 - Force Single Coil
  - 06 - Preset Single Register
  - 07 - Read Exception Status
  - 08 - Diagnostics
  - 11 - Fetch Communications Event Counter
  - 12 - Fetch Communications Event Log
  - 15 - Force Multiple Coils
  - 16 - Preset Multiple Registers
  - 17 - Report Slave Id
- Configurable data rate: 38,400, 19,200, 9,600, 4,800, 2,400 or 1,200 bps
- Configurable communications character parity:
  - No parity bit
  - Odd parity bit
  - Even parity bit
- Configurable number of stop-bits:
  - one stop-bit
  - two stop-bits
- Communications time-out configurable from 1 to 254 hundredths of a second







# Programming

The F-1402MB.031 function was designed to be used with the PCs in the QUARK series (QK2000, QK800 and QK801) and makes the communication interface between the PC and the QK1402/MB module. The QK1402/MB module makes the interface with the slave equipment units connected to the network.

Function call and execution is carried out by the CHF instruction (function call), which must be inserted into the user's application program, implemented in ladder language using the MasterTool programmer.



# F-1402MB.031



Figure 2-1: F-1402MB.031 Module

## Introduction

This function must run on PCs in the QUARK series (QK2000, QK800 or QK801), with the QK1402/MB module in the bus correctly addressed (addressing straps) and declared as “QK1402” (in module C-000).

The F-1402MB.031 function can be called in two distinct ways: for the configuration of the QK1402/MB and for communication with the slave equipment units on the network.

The configuration call is necessary to configure the QK1402/MB serial channel. Usually only one configuration call of the F-1402MB.031 per program is necessary for each QK1402/MB module present in the bus, after power-on or after switching the PC to “execution mode”. This call must not be executed simultaneously with the communication calls, because it interferes with them.

The communication call is used to perform the communication with the slave equipment units. Several calls of this type can be inserted into the application program. These calls are sequentially run when they refer to the same bus module.

The F-1402MB.031 function call must not be executed from an E018 program module.



## Configuration Parameters

The CHF instruction cells used to call the function in the CONFIGURATION mode are programmed in the following manner:

OPER1 – Specifies the number of parameters to be passed to the function in OPER3. This operand must be a memory constant with value 5 (KM+00005).

OPER2 – Must be a memory constant operand with value 0 (KM+00000). Specifies the number of parameters allowed to be programmed in the edit window of OPER4. As this function requires no parameters in OPER4, the value of OPER2 is 0.

OPER3 – Contains the parameters that are passed to the function. They are declared in an edit window when the CHF instruction is edited. The number of editable parameters is specified in OPER1- being fixed at 5 for this module:

%Rxxx – Bus address where the QK1402/MB is housed.

%KMxxxxxx – Memory constant that defines the communication baud rate:

%KM+00000 – 38,400 bps

%KM+00001 – 19,200 bps

%KM+00002 – 9,600 bps

%KM+00003 – 4,800 bps

%KM+00004 – 2,400 bps

%KM+00005 – 1,200 bps

%KMxxxxxx - Memory constant that defines the character parity to be used in the communication:

%KM+00000 – no parity

%KM+00001 – odd parity

%KM+00002 – even parity

%KMxxxxxx - Memory constant that defines the number of stop-bits of the character to be used in the communication:

%KM+00001 – one stop-bit

%KM+00002 – two stop-bits

%KMxxxxxx - Memory constant that defines the communications time-out in hundredths of a second. The values between 1 and 254 are valid for this memory constant.

OPER4 – Not used

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## Communication Parameters

The CHF instruction cells used for the function call in the COMMUNICATION mode are programmed as follows:

OPER1 – Specifies the number of parameters that are passed to the function in OPER3. This operand must be a memory constant with value 7 (KM+00007).

OPER2 – Must be a memory constant operand with value 0 (KM+00000). Specifies the number of parameters allowed to be programmed in the edit window of OPER4. As this function requires no parameters in OPER4, the value of OPER2 is 0.

OPER3 – Contains the parameters that are passed to the function. They are declared in an edit window when the CHF instruction is edited. The number of editable parameters is specified in OPER1- being fixed at 7for this module:

%Rxxx - Bus address where the QK1402/MB is housed.

%KMxxxxxx - Memory constant that defines the address of the slave equipment to which the communication is transmitted. Values between 0 and 255 are valid (0 for broadcast messages).

%KMxxxxxx – Memory constant that defines the Modbus function for this communication. This memory constant may have the following values/functions:

- %KM+00001 - Function 01 - Read Coil Status
- %KM+00002 - Function 02 - Read Input Status
- %KM+00003 - Function 03 - Read Holding Registers
- %KM+00004 - Function 04 - Read Input Registers
- %KM+00005 - Function 05 - Force Single Coil
- %KM+00006 - Function 06 - Preset Single Register
- %KM+00007 - Function 07 - Read Exception Status
- %KM+00008 - Function 08 - Diagnostics
- %KM+00011 - Function 11 - Fetch Communications Event Counter
- %KM+00012 - Function 12 - Fetch Communications Event Log”
- %KM+00015 - Function 15 - Force Multiple Coils
- %KM+00016 - Function 16 - Preset Multiple Registers
- %KM+00017 - Function 17 - Report Slave Id

%Axxx, %Exxx, %Sxxx, %Mxxxx, %TMxxx ou %KMxxxxxx – First PC operand, source/destination of communication of the QK1402/MB module with the slave equipment, whose content will be copied or updated by the function. Its type depends on the function type defined by the third parameter.

%KMxxxxxx – Memory constant that defines the Modbus address at the first point/operand in the slave equipment.



%KMxxxxx – Memory constant that defines the number of slave equipment operands, and, consequently, of the master equipment, associated with this communication call

%Dxxxx – Decimal operand used by the function for the internal control of its processing and for status indications of the function. A different %Dxxxx operand must be used in each different call of the function.

The contents of the %Dxxxx control operand cannot be changed in any part of the application program; otherwise the function may not be correctly executed. The control operand cannot be configured as retentive in the C-000 module.

OPER4 – Not used.

## Inputs and Outputs

Description of inputs:

**Enable** - when this input is energized the function is called, and the parameters programmed in the CHF instruction are analyzed. If the number of parameters or their type are different from the function requirements, the “Prog Error” output is activated. If they are correct, the function is ready to communicate or configure the QK1402/MB.

**Communicate** - This input must be energized in communication calls (or configuration calls, according to the number of parameters). The function transmits the data referring to the communication (or configuration) to be executed to the QK1402/MB. The waiting period can last several scan cycles of the application program, during which no other communication is processed for this QK1402/MB module. When a valid response is received for a communication, or a valid configuration ends, the “Success” output is energized during a scan cycle of the application program. In case of failure in communication or configuration, an error output is activated during a scan cycle. The next CHF whose “enable” and “communicate” inputs are energized may then process its communication or configuration.

Description of outputs:

**Success** - It is energized during a scan cycle when the function receives a valid response from the slave equipment or when the QK1402/MB has carried out a successful configuration. The least significant byte of the control operand D returns an indicative code.

**Exec Error** – It is energized during a scan cycle at the end of the communication processing period if the destination slave equipment does not respond to the transmitted command (time-out), or if its response contains errors, or if the QK1402/MB module is not configured or does not respond. In these cases, the least significant byte of the control operand D receives a code



indicating the nature of the error, and the programmed communication is not performed. This output may only be energized in communication calls.

**Prog Error** – It is energized if there is an error in the specification of CHF operands or if there is an attempt to access non-declared operands.

## Control Operand

The following information is stored in the D operand that controls the function: function status code, diagnostic code (error or success) or amount of data bytes expected as response from the Modbus slave, address of the slave equipment, and Modbus function number.

Each one of them uses one byte and they are distributed in the D operand as follows:

Byte 3	Byte 2	Byte 1	Byte 0
Function status	Diagnostic or Amount of bytes expected at response	Slave address	Modbus function

Table 2-1: Control Operand

The codes valid for the function status byte are the following:

Code	Description of the Function Status
00	Non-initialized control operand: no call has been made to the function module yet.
01	Inactive: the function is awaiting operation of the “communicate” input or awaiting the QK1402/MB module to be released by another CHF.
02	Awaiting response: the function is awaiting a response from the QK1402/MB with regard to a transmission sent.
04	Response received: the communications function has been successfully completed.
08	Communications error: it was not possible to complete the communication function successfully.

Table 2-2: Function Status



The Diagnostic codes, only valid for function status 01, 04 and 08, are the following:

Code	Description of Diagnostics
00	No indication
10	QK1402/MB in hot swap
11	Inactive QK1402/MB: the QK1402 module does not respond to the communications with the PC through the bus.
12	Non-configured QK1402/MB: the module is awaiting a configuration command to configure its serial.
13	QK1402/MB in conflict: the function that was awaiting a response from the module detected that the module's busy status was released by another function. A module can only be used by one function at a time. This error may occur if a new configuration (module C) is sent or if another function that uses the same module was called for configuration.
20	Module without ACK: the QK1402/MB module does not respond to the communication or configuration command.
21	Communication time-out: the time limit for the response to arrive was reached and no response was received by the QK1402/MB in this period.
22	Invalid response: the response received differs from the communication function sent concerning the Modbus slave equipment address.
23	Invalid response: the response received differs from the communication function sent concerning the Modbus function number.
24	Invalid response: the response received differs from the communication function sent concerning the amount of data bytes.
25	Invalid response: the amount of data bytes of the response received from the QK1402/MB is higher than the available memory in the PC.
30	Broadcast command transmitted: a function without response (broadcast) was sent.
31	Response received: a valid response was received to the function sent.
41	Exception response / Exception Code: 01 - Illegal Function.
42	Exception response / Exception Code: 02 - Illegal Data Address.
43	Exception response / Exception Code: 03 - Illegal Data Value.

44	Exception response / Exception Code: 04 - Slave Equipment Failure.
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45	Exception response / Exception Code: 05 - Acknowledge.
46	Exception response / Exception Code: 06 - Slave Equipment Busy.
47	Exception response / Exception Code: 07 - Negative Acknowledge.
48	Exception response / Exception Code: 08 - Memory Parity Error.
49 to 4F	Exception responses: the least significant nibble of this byte indicates the Exception Code returned by the slave equipment. Available for future use.

**Table 2-3: Diagnostics**

For diagnostics 00 none of the function outputs is activated. For diagnostics 30 and 31 the *Success* output is activated. For the other diagnostics, the *EXEC Error* is activated.

The address bytes of the slave equipment address and the bytes of the Modbus function number are for exclusive use and internal control of the communication function.





## Implemented Modbus Functions

The Modbus protocol, created by Gould Modicon, defines a series of functions for reading status and values, and for writing status and values, and for testing the communication network and slave equipment.

Reading and writing operations use continuous (sequential) operand ranges.

The following is a description of each of the functions implemented in the F-1402MB.031 function with their respective parameters and limits for their calls.



## Function 01 - Read Coil Status

Allows the user to read the logical status (on/off) of output control relays (coils) from the addressed slave equipment. Does not support broadcast communication.

Parameter	Description
%Rxxx	Bus address where the QK1402/MB card is housed
%KMxxxxx	Address of the slave equipment to which communication is transmitted Range: $1 \leq \text{address} \leq 255$
%KM+00001	Type of Modbus function of this communication
%Axxx.x %Exxx.x %Sxxx.x	First subdivision of PC operand from which PC operands will be updated
%KMxxxxx	Modbus address of first point in the slave equipment to be read The relays are numbered from address 0 (this corresponds to the coil number 1, according to Modbus standard).
%KMxxxxx	Number of points of the slave equipment to be read Range: $1 \leq \text{number of points} \leq 240$
%Dxxxx	Address of decimal operand used by the function for the internal control of its processing and for function status indications

Table 2-4: Parameters for Modbus Function 01



## Function 02 - Read Input Status

Allows the user to read the logic status (on/off) of input status from the addressed slave equipment. This function does not support broadcast communication.

Parameter	Description
%Rxxx	Bus address where the QK1402/MB card is housed
%KMxxxxx	Address of the slave equipment to which communication is transmitted. Range: $1 \leq \text{address} \leq 255$
%KM+00002	Type of Modbus function of this communication
%Axxx.x %Exxx.x %Sxxx.x	First subdivision of PC operand from which PC operands will be updated
%KMxxxxx	Modbus address of first point in the slave equipment to be read. The inputs are numbered from address 0 (this corresponds to the input status number 10001, according to Modbus standard).
%KMxxxxx	Number of points of the slave equipment whose contents will be read Range: $1 \leq \text{number of points} \leq 240$
%Dxxxx	Address of decimal operand used by the function for the internal control of its processing and for function status indications

Table 2-5: Parameters for Modbus Function 02



## Function 03 - Read Holding Registers

Allows the user to read 16-bit holding registers from the addressed slave equipment. This function does not support broadcast communication.

Parameter	Description
%Rxxx	Bus address where the QK1402/MB card is housed
%KMxxxxx	Address of the slave equipment to which communication is transmitted. Range: $1 \leq \text{address} \leq 255$
%KM+00003	Type of Modbus function of this communication
%Mxxxx %TMxxx	First memory operand of the PC whose contents will be updated by the function or identification of the table that will be updated from its "0" position
%KMxxxxx	Modbus address of the first holding register in the slave equipment to be read. The registers are numbered from address 0 (this corresponds to the holding register number 40001 according to MODBUS standard).
%KMxxxxx	Number of registers of the slave equipment to be read Range: $1 \leq \text{number of registers} \leq 64$
%Dxxxx	Address of decimal operand used by the function for the internal control of its processing and for function status indications

Table 2-6: Parameters for Modbus Function 03



## Function 04 - Read Input Registers

Allows the user to read 16-bit input registers from the addressed slave equipment. This function does not support broadcast communication.

Parameter	Description
%Rxxx	Bus address where the QK1402/MB card is housed
%KMxxxxx	Address of the slave equipment to which communication is transmitted. Range: $1 \leq \text{address} \leq 255$
%KM+00004	Type of Modbus function of this communication
%Mxxxx %TMxxx	First memory operand of the PC that will be updated by the function or identification of the table that will be updated from its "0" position
%KMxxxxx	Modbus address of the first input register in the slave equipment to be read. The input registers are numbered from address 0 (this corresponds to the input register number 30001 according to MODBUS standard).
%KMxxxxx	Number of registers of the slave equipment whose contents will be read Range: $1 \leq \text{number of registers} \leq 64$
%Dxxxx	Address of decimal operand used by the function for the internal control of its processing and for function status indications

Table 2-7: Parameters for Modbus Function 04



## Function 05 - Force Single Coil

Allows the user to write the logical status (on/off) of an output control relay (coil) in the addressed slave equipment or in all network slaves by means of a broadcast message (address 00).

Parameter	Description
%Rxxx	Bus address where the QK1402/MB card is housed
%KMxxxxx	Address of the slave equipment to which communication is transmitted Range: $0 \leq \text{address} \leq 255$
%KM+00005	Type of Modbus function of this communication
%Axxx.x %Exxx.x %Sxxx.x	First subdivision of PC operand whose contents will be used by the function.
%KMxxxxx	Modbus address of the point in the slave equipment to be written. The coils are numbered from address 0 (this corresponds to the coil number 1 according to MODBUS standard).
%KMxxxxx	Not used
%Dxxxx	Address of decimal operand used by the function for the internal control of its processing and for function status indications

Table 2-8: Parameters for Modbus Function 05



## Function 06 - Preset Single Register

Allows the user to write a 16-bit holding register in the addressed slave equipment or in all the network slaves by means of a broadcast message (address 00).

Parameter	Description
%Rxxx	Bus address where the QK1402/MB card is housed
%KMxxxxx	Address of the slave equipment to which communication is transmitted Range: $0 \leq \text{address} \leq 255$
%KM+00006	Type of Modbus function of this communication
%Mxxxx %TMxxx	Memory operand of the PC that will be used by the function or memory table whose position 0 will be used
%KMxxxxx	Modbus address of holding register in the slave equipment to be modified. The registers are numbered from address 0 (this corresponds to the holding register number 40001 according to MODBUS standard).
%KMxxxxx	Not used
%Dxxxx	Address of decimal operand used by the function for the internal control of its processing and for function status indications

Table 2-9: Parameters for Modbus Function 06



## Function 07 - Read Exception Status

Allows the user to read the logical status (on/off) of the 8 status control relays previously defined by the addressed slave equipment. This function does not support broadcast communication.

Parameter	Description
%Rxxx	Bus address where the QK1402/MB card is housed
%KMxxxxx	Address of the slave equipment to which communication is transmitted Range: $1 \leq \text{address} \leq 255$
%KM+00007	Type of Modbus function of this communication
%Axxx.0 %Exxx.0 %Sxxx.0	First subdivision of PC operand whose contents will be updated by the function (It is mandatory to use the operand from bit 0.)
%KMxxxxx	Not used
%KMxxxxx	Not used
%Dxxxx	Address of decimal operand used by the function for the internal control of its processing and for function status indications

Table 2-10: Parameters for Modbus Function 07





## Function 08 - Diagnostics

Allows the user to test the communication system or error conditions that are present in the slave equipment according to the code and data for diagnostics. This, however, does not affect the operation of the slave equipment. This function does not support broadcast communication.

Parameter	Description
%Rxxx	Bus address where the QK1402/MB card is housed
%KMxxxxx	Address of the slave equipment to which communication is transmitted Range: $1 \leq \text{address} \leq 255$
%KM+00008	Type of Modbus function of this communication
%Mxxxx %TMxxx	Memory operand of the PC whose contents will be updated by the function or identification of the memory table whose position 0 will be updated with the data field of the response from the slave equipment
%KMxxxxx	Diagnostics subfunction (Check slave equipment user's guide.)
%KMxxxxx	Data associated with the diagnostics subfunction when necessary (Check slave equipment user's guide.)
%Dxxxx	Address of decimal operand used by the function for the internal control of its processing and for function status indications

Table 2-11: Parameters for Modbus Function 08



## Function 11 - Fetch Communications Event Counter

Allows the user to read status information and the event counter from the slave equipment. This function does not support broadcast communication.

Parameter	Description
%Rxxx	Bus address where the QK1402/MB card is housed
%KMxxxxx	Address of the slave equipment to which communication is transmitted Range: $1 \leq \text{address} \leq 255$
%KM+00011	Type of Modbus function of this communication
%Mxxxx %TMxxx	Address of the first memory operand or memory table (initial position = 0) to which the values returned by the function will be transferred
%KMxxxxx	Not used
%KMxxxxx	Not used
%Dxxxx	Address of decimal operand used by the function for the internal control of its processing and for function status indications

Table 2-12: Parameters for Modbus Function 11

The normal response to this function consists of one status word and an event counter occupying, therefore, two memory positions in the PC.



## Function 12 - Fetch Communications Event Log

Allows the user to read status information from the device, event counter, message counter, and receive a list of communication events from the slave equipment. This function does not support broadcast communication.

Parameter	Description
%Rxxx	Bus address where the QK1402/MB card is housed
%KMxxxxx	Address of the slave equipment to which communication is transmitted Range: $1 \leq \text{address} \leq 255$
%KM+00012	Type of Modbus function of this communication
%Mxxxx %TMxxx	First memory operand of the PC whose contents will be updated by the function or identification of the table that will be updated from its 0 position.
%KMxxxxx	Not used
%KMxxxxx	Not used
%Dxxxx	Address of decimal operand used by the function for the internal control of its processing and for function status indications

Table 2-13: Parameters for Modbus Function 12

The number of necessary memory positions to receive the values returned by this function may vary from 3 to 35, according to the configuration of the slave equipment. See the slave equipment user's guide and the "Modicon Modbus Protocol Reference Guide".

Event 0 of the slave equipment will be transferred to the highest byte of the PC first associated memory position. Event 1 of the slave equipment will be transferred to the lowest byte of the PC first associated memory position. Event 3 of the slave equipment will be transferred to the highest byte of the PC second associated memory position. This is the sequence adopted for the transfer of all events received.



## Function 15 - Force Multiple Coils

Allows the user to force the logical status (on/off) of output control relays (coils) in the addressed slave equipment or in all network slaves by means of a broadcast message (address 00).

Parameter	Description
%Rxxx	Bus address where the QK1402/MB card is housed
%KMxxxxx	Address of the slave equipment to which communication is transmitted Range: $0 \leq \text{address} \leq 255$
%KM+00015	Type of Modbus function of this communication
%Axxx.x %Exxx.x %Sxxx.x	First subdivision of PC operand whose contents will be used by the function
%KMxxxxx	Modbus address of the first point in the slave equipment to be written. The coils are numbered from address 0 (this corresponds to the coil number 1 according to MODBUS standard).
%KMxxxxx	Number of points of the slave equipment whose contents will be written. Range: $1 \leq \text{points} \leq 240$
%Dxxxx	Address of decimal operand used by the function for the internal control of its processing and for function status indications

Table 2-14: Parameters for Modbus Function 15



## Function 16 - Preset Multiple Registers

Allows the user to write on 16-bit holding registers, of the addressed slave equipment, or of all network slaves by means of a broadcast message (address 00).

Parameter	Description
%Rxxx	Bus address where the QK1402/MB card is housed
%KMxxxxx	Address of the slave equipment to which communication is transmitted Range: $0 \leq \text{address} \leq 255$
%KM+00016	Type of Modbus function of this communication
%Mxxxx %TMxxx	Address of the first memory operand or memory table (initial position = 0) that will be used by this function
%KMxxxxx	Modbus address of the first holding register in the slave equipment to be modified. The holding registers are numbered from address 0 (this corresponds to the holding register number 40001 according to MODBUS standard).
%KMxxxxx	Number of registers of the slave equipment whose contents will be modified. Range: $1 \leq \text{number of registers} \leq 64$
%Dxxxx	Address of decimal operand used by the function for the internal control of its processing and for function status indications

Table 2-15: Parameters for Modbus Function 16



## Function 17 - Report Slave Id

Allows the user to read the information on the type of slave and supplementary data from the slave equipment. (Check the user's guide of the respective equipment). This function does not support broadcast communication.

Parameter	Description
%Rxxx	Bus address where the QK1402/MB card is housed
%KMxxxxx	Address of the slave equipment to which communication is transmitted Range: $1 \leq \text{address} \leq 255$
%KM+00017	Type of Modbus function of this communication
%Mxxxx %TMxxx	Address of the first memory operand or memory table (initial position = 0) to which the values returned by the function will be transferred.
%KMxxxxx	Not used
%KMxxxxx	Not used
%Dxxxx	Address of decimal operand used by the function for the internal control of its processing and for function status indications

Table 2-16: Parameters for Modbus Function 17

The number of memory positions necessary to receive the values returned by this function may vary from two positions up to a limit defined by the configuration of the slave equipment. Check the slave equipment user's guide and the "Modicon Modbus Protocol Reference Guide".

Data byte 0 (Slave Id) of the response from the slave equipment will be transferred to the highest byte of the PC first associated memory position. Data byte 1 (Run Indicator Status) will be transferred to the lowest byte of the PC first associated memory position. Data byte 3 (if applicable) will be transferred to the highest byte of the PC second associated memory position. This sequence is adopted for the transfer of all received data.



# Processing

When an application program is running in the PC, at most one call (CHF instruction) of the F-1402MB.031 function per QK1402/MB module may be active, even if there are several calls whose “enable” and/or “communication” inputs are active.

After the function called has been executed, some of their outputs may be kept energized during one scan cycle of the application program. In the following scan cycle the function will release the outputs and release the QK1402/MB module for the next CHF (function call), which could be awaiting the module to be released in order to switch to the active condition.

The application program cannot skip or disable the function call instruction while it is active. We recommend keeping the “enable” input of the communication calls permanently active. This way, the control will be made only by the “communicate” input.

The “communicate” input does not have to be continuously active until the end of the communication. It only has to be activated once (by a scan cycle) to enable the communication, provided there is no other CHF using the same QK1402/MB module in this cycle. A possible approach to initiate a communication and realize it has ended is described below:

- keep the “enable” input always active
- when the communication must be initiated, activate the “communication” input
- when some of the outputs (success or error) goes to active state, the communication has ended, and the “communication” input may be turned off. Also, the %Dxxxx operand may be examined to have details about possible errors.

The main processes carried out by the F-1402MB.031 function are the following:

- consistency of function call parameters;
- verification of the QK1402/MB module status in the bus;
- verification of configuration calls of the QK1402/MB module;
- verification of “inactive” status when the module is released, so that communication commands can be sent;



- verification of “awaiting response” status when the module is busy with the function itself, for obtaining responses from the module or keeping a time-out count;
- consistency of the communication function to be executed;
- consistency of the response received and transfer of response to memory operands or memory tables;
- updating of function status and outputs

Whenever it is necessary to establish short communications with the slave equipment, it is possible to always keep the “communicate” inputs of the various function calls active for different Modbus functions and different slaves. This situation determines that, as soon as a function call is over, the next call be immediately carried out, and so forth.

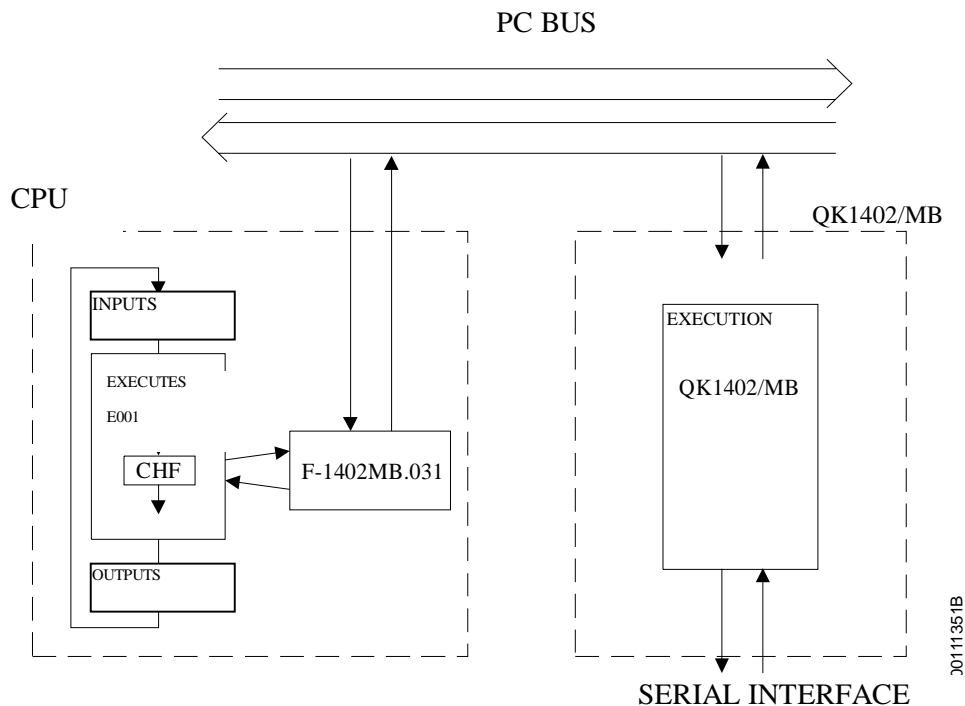


Figure 2-2: Operation structure

## Function Operating Sequence

A communications operation follows these steps:





- Scan Cycle #1:

As the “enable” and “communicate” input are activated, the data related to the communication to be established (address of slave equipment, Modbus function, Modbus address, etc) are passed to the QK1402/MB module. The function terminates execution and returns to the user’s ladder application. The QK1402/MB module produces the configured Modbus command and transmits it.

- Scan Cycle #2 to #n – Awaiting response from slave equipment:

The function consults the operating status, which is updated (Situation “A” in the “Execution Time of F-1402MB.031 Function” table).

During the cycles subsequent to the initial one (#1), the QK1402/MB ends the serial transmission and awaits the response from the addressed slave equipment. In this situation, the “awaiting response” status is successively returned to the CPU.

The QK1402 keeps awaiting the response from the slave or signals the completion of the operation due to time-out or other errors, by indication of the respective error code to the CPU.

The number of scan cycles performed by the CPU in this condition depends on the response time from the slave equipment or the time-out configured for the function.

In this situation, the function execution time corresponds to item “A” in table 2-17 – Execution Time of F-1402MB.031 Function.

- Scan Cycle #n+1:

Once the previous step has been accomplished, the data are transferred to PC operands and the final status of the function is indicated (“Success Code,” “Returned Exception Code,” “Time-out,” etc...).

The appropriate function output remains active during this scan (“Success” or “Exec Error”).

- Scan Cycle #n+2:

The function output (“Success” or “Exec Error”) returns to its normal condition.



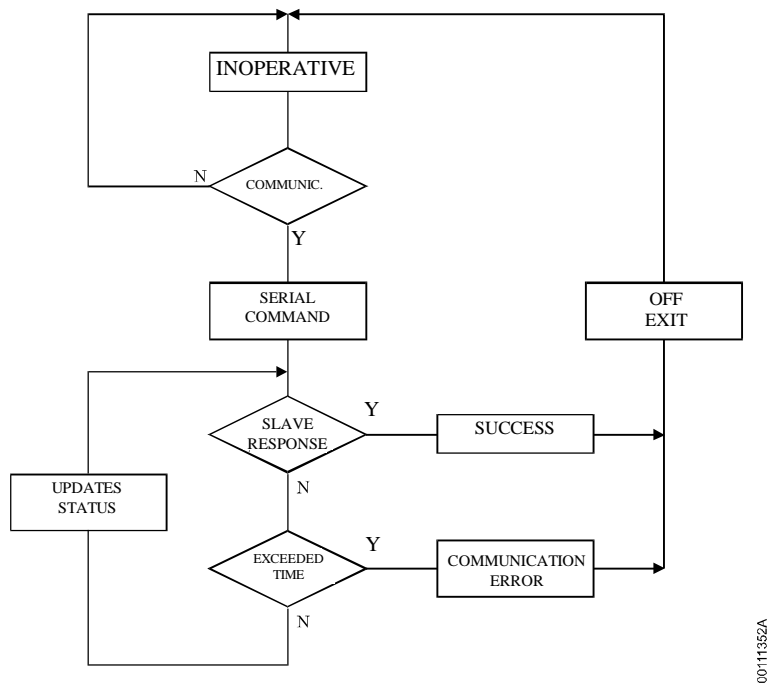


Figure 2-3: Module F Flowchart

Function Execution Time

In different situations, the following execution times for the F-1402MB.031 function calls are observed:

Situation	Function call execution time
A) No activity (just enablement)	860 $\mu$ s
B) Communicate input activated	2.2 ms
C) Reading 1 register	2.8 ms
D) Reading 60 registers	24 ms
E) Writing 60 registers	25 ms

Table 2-17: Execution Time of F-1402MB.031 Function



For example, the execution time above associated with a “Reading 60 registers” situation is considered the necessary time for sixty 16-bit registers to be transferred from the QK1402/MB to the PC operands, after the response from the slave equipment has been correctly received and decoded.

The time periods above only consider the data transfer between CPU operands and the QK1402/MB module. Delays associated with the serial transmission, slave equipment response time and programmable controller scan cycle are not included.





# Installation

This chapter presents the QK1402/MB Master Modbus Serial Interface installation procedures.

## Physical Dimensions

The QK1402/MB dimensions are presented in the figure below.

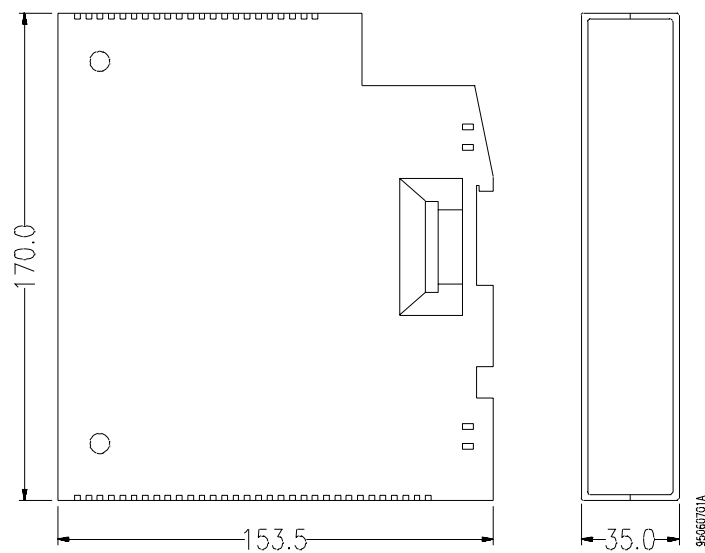


Figure 3-1: QK1402/MB dimensions



## Serial Interface

The QK1402/MB has two 9-pin female connectors, one complies with the RS-232C standard, and the other one follows the RS-485 standard, as identified on the module panel. The following tables show the pinout of each connector.

The RS-232 and RS-485 serial interfaces of the QK1402/MB module cannot be used simultaneously.

### RS-485 Connector

PIN	SIGNAL
1	PGND
2	NC
3	TXD/RXD+
4	NC
5	SGND
6	BREF+
7	TXD/RXD-
8	TXD/RXD-
9	TXD/RXD-

Table 3-1: RS-485 Connector

### RS-232C Connector

PIN	SIGNAL
1	PGND
2	TX
3	RX
4	RTS
5	CTS
6	DSR
7	SGND
8	NC
9	DTR

Table 3-2: RS-232 Connector

The RTS, CTS, DSR and DTR pins, although present, are not actually used by the QK1402/MB.



## Installation in the PC Bus

The installation of the QK1402 interface is made on the mounting rail (QK1500) along with the PC CPU or QK2512 power supply and the other I/O modules.

The module has a slot at the rear which allows inserting it in the rail in the electrical cabinet. For further information on how to insert and remove the module from the rail, check the QUARK CPUs User's Guide.

Before inserting the module in the rail, the address in the PC bus must be defined by means of the existing jumpers (S1), which can be accessed through a lateral opening on the box. The module address must be the same one configured in the application program through MASTERTOOL® or AL-3830 Programmers in their bus declaration – see Programmer User's Guide.

After defining the address, the module is inserted into the bus and connected to the communications cable with the CPU (flat cable: QK1304, QK1308, QK1312 or QK1316). For further information on the module address and connection to the bus, check the QK2000/MSP CPU user's guide.

It is possible to use more than one QK1402/MB module in a single CPU bus, provided they are properly configured and programmed (ladder program) and have an independent Modbus communication (two RS-485 networks, for example).

## Network Communication

### General Information

The installation of a communication network must comply with the RS-485 standard according to the following figure. For example, the items below, which can be ordered from ALTUS, may be used.

- AL-2305: Branch Cable (CMDB9 - RS485)
- AL-2600: Branch and Network Termination Module
- AL-2301: RS-485 Network Cable

The switches of the AL-2600 branch/termination module in the extreme nodes of the RS-485 network must be configured as “Profibus terminations”, and those AL-2600 in intermediate nodes must be configured as “branches”.



Note that the QK1402/MB is usually connected to one of the RS-485 network ends, a situation in which one of the AL-2301 cables from Figure 3-2 wouldn't exist and the AL-2600 would be configured as Profibus termination instead of as branch. Also, note that just one of the AL-2600 must be connected to the ground (GND terminal connected to the "earth ground" on the panel).

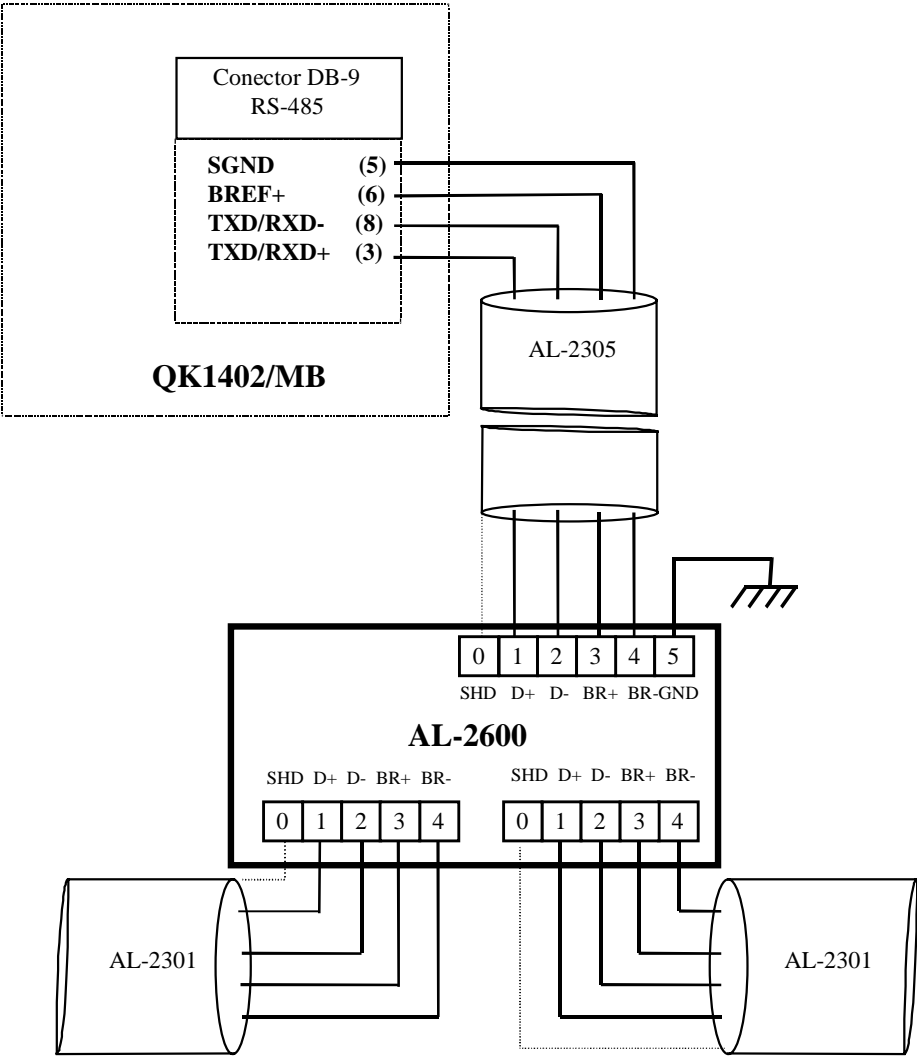


Figure 3-2: RS-485 Connection Scheme





# Point-to-Point Communication

## General Information

The point-to-point communication between the QK1402/MB and a Modbus slave equipment sometimes can be made through an RS-232 standard communication port.

The identification of the pins of the QK1402/MB RS-232 (DTE) communication port is presented in table 3-2. The configuration of the cable to be used will depend on the pinout of the connector available in the slave equipment. The following cables, supplied by ALTUS, can be used in some situations.

- AL-1344: CMDB25-CMDB9 (Modem/PC) cable, for the connection of the QK1402/MB to modem equipment with an EIA RS-232C standard connector;
- AL-1342: CMDB9-CFDB9 (IBM PC /PC) cable, for the connection to IBM-PC equipment that emulates modem signals, with DB9 connector;
- AL-1366: CMDB9-CMDB9 cable, for the connection to other ALTUS equipment with a 9-pin RS-232C standard interface;
- AL-1383: CMDB9-CFDB25 cable for the connection to IBM-PC equipment with DB25 connector;
- AL-1390: CMDB9-CFDB9 cable, for the connection to IBM-PC equipment, with DB9 connector;

## Function Installation (software)

The floppy disk that comes with the product contains all the functions (modules F) for the supported CPU models. The F-1402MB.031 function file, according to the CPU type, must be copied to the application directory (ladder) and inserted into the project through a MasterTool programmer (Project, Edit, Insert Module option).

The F-1402MB.031 function must be called from the CHF instruction.





# Glossary

This appendix presents a glossary of words and abbreviations frequently used in this guide.

- **ALTUS Ladder language:** Set of instructions and operands that allow editing an application program to be used in a PC
- **Application Program:** Control algorithm, usually programmed in ladder language, which specifies the control of a specific machine by the PC
- **Baud Rate (Transmission Rate):** Rate at which information bits are transmitted through a serial interface or communications network
- **Bit:** Basic information unit, which has two states: 0 or 1
- **Byte:** information unit consisting of eight bits
- **Command:** Instruction typed by the user indicating to the equipment or program which task is to be executed
- **Communications Network:** Set of devices (nodes) interconnected by communications channels
- **Configuration:** Preparation to get a product working by means of the integration of hardware and software
- **Configuration Module (Module C):** Single module in a PC program that contains several parameters that are necessary for the controller to operate, such as the amount of operands and the I/O module disposition in the bus
- **Connector:** mechanical element that allows connecting or separating two or more components or electrical circuits
- **CPU:** Central Processing Unit – Controls information flow, interprets and executes the program instructions and monitors the system devices.
- **Debugging:** Tests to determine the correct way a product works, and to spot and correct errors



- **Default:** preset value for a variable used in case there is no redefinition
- **Diagnostic:** Procedure used to detect and isolate flaws – It is also the group of data used for such determination, which can be used to analyze and correct problems.
- **Execution Modules (Module E):** Modules that contain the application program – They can be of three types: E000, E001 and E018. Module E000 is executed one single time when the PC is energized or in the switch from programming to execution mode. Module E001 contains the main segment of the program that runs cyclically, while module E018 is activated by time interruption.
- **Executive Program:** Operating system of a programmable controller – It controls the basic controller functions and the execution of application programs.
- **Executive Software:** A PC operating system. It controls the basic functions of the programmable controller and the execution of application programs
- **Frame:** Information unit transmitted over the network
- **Function Module (Modulo F):** Module of a PC program that is called by the main module (module E) or by another function module or procedure, with transfer of parameters and return of values, working as a sub-routine
- **Hardware:** Physical devices used in data processing, where programs (software) are normally run
- **I/O Module:** Module belonging to the I/O subsystem
- **Instruction:** Operation to be executed on a group of operands in a program
- **Interface:** Device that adapts the transfer of signals between two devices electrically and/or logically.
- **Interruption:** Priority event that temporarily suspends the execution of a program – The interruptions can be divided into two generic types: hardware and software. The former is caused by a signal coming from a peripheral device, and the latter is created by instructions in a program.
- **Kbytes:** Representative unit of memory– It represents 1,024 bytes.
- **Logic:** Graphic matrix where the relay diagram language instructions that compose an application program are inserted – a set of logical items sequentially ordered constitutes a program module
- **Master:** Equipment of a communications network from which command requests are originated and passed to other devices on the network



- **Master-slave communications network:** Communications network where the data transfers are only initiated from one single node (the network master) connected to the data bus – The other network nodes (slaves) only respond when requested.
- **Menu:** Set of available options to be selected by the user in order to activate or execute a certain task – These options are displayed on a screen by a program.
- **Module (when referring to hardware):** Basic element of a complete system that has well-defined functions – It is normally connected to the system by connectors. It can be easily replaced.
- **Module (when referring to software):** Part of an application program capable of doing a specific function – It can run independently or in conjunction with other modules exchanging information by means of parameter transfer.
- **Multimaster communications network:** Communications network where information transfers are initiated by any node connected to the data bus
- **Nibble:** Information unit consisting of four bits
- **Node:** Any station of a network with communication capability using an established protocol
- **Octet:** Group of eight bits numbered from 0 to 7
- **Operands:** Elements on which instructions act – They can represent constants, variables or variable sets.
- **PC:** Abbreviation of Programmable Controller
- **Procedure Module (Module P):** Module of a PC program that is called from the main module (module E) or from another procedure module or function, without parameter transfer
- **Program:** Set of basic instructions properly ordered with which someone instructs a certain machine for it to perform operations with the data in order to obtain a result
- **Programmable controller:** Device that performs control under the command of an application program written in relay and block language – It consists of a CPU, a power source, and an I/O structure.
- **Programming:** The act of preparing all the steps of a program for a computer or similar device
- **Programming language:** A set of rules, conventions and syntax used to elaborate a program – a set of symbols used to represent and communicate information or data among people and machines



- **Programming logic:** Graphic matrix where the relay diagram language instructions that compose an application program are inserted – a set of logical items sequentially ordered constitutes a program module
- **Programming terminal:** Personal Computer running a PC programming software such as AL-3830, AL-3832 or MasterTool
- **Protocol:** Procedure rules and conventional formats that, by means of control signals, allow the establishment of data transmission and error retrieval among devices
- **Remote station:** Devices that read and write input and output points of the controlled process, communicating their value when the CPU is active
- **RS-485/EIA-485:** Industrial standard (physical level) for data communication – Its main characteristics are the following: communication possibility with several modes and high immunity to electromagnetic interference due to their operation with differential voltage.
- **Scan cycle:** A complete execution of a programmable controller executive program
- **Serial:** Set of modules that have the same AL, QK, FT or PL code and the same initial numeric character – For instance, the AL 2000 serial comprises the AL-2000/MSP-C and AL-2002/MSP controllers.
- **Serial channel:** Device which allows the connection and communication of data between two or among more devices through a common standard
- **Slave:** Device of a communications network that responds to command requests originated from the master
- **Software:** Computer programs, procedure and rules related to a data processing systems operation
- **Status:** Module status
- **Supervision status:** Equipment connected to a PC network or instrumentation whose purpose is to monitor or control variables of a process
- **System:** Set of devices used for the control of a machine or process, consisting of the PC CPU, I/O module, Personal Computer and H/M interfaces.
- **Tag:** Name associated to an operand or logic that allows a summarized identification of its content
- **Time-out:** maximum preset time for a communication to be completed, causing a communications error if exceeded
- **Word:** Unit of information composed of sixteen bits.









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